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I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

TITLE: WATER TREATMENT AGENT FOR THE PROLONGATION OF THE WATER EXCHANGE INTERVALS IN MAINTENANCE SYSTEMS

the specification of which

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Application Number 10/088,048 or PCT International Application No.
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I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56.

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Prior Foreign Application(s) (if any):

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